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FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

CHAPTER 3
SECTION 4

Non-TED Vouchers

1.0. GENERAL

Non-TED vouchers (like TED vouchers) are used by the contractor to request TMA, CRM payment authorization against their *bank* accounts. Non-TED vouchers are required because the data associated with these types of transactions is incompatible with the data formats used by the TED system. Listed below are types of non-TED vouchers:

1.1. Capital And Direct Medical Education Costs (CAP/DME)

These are annual payments made by the contractor from the non-financially underwritten bank account to hospitals requesting reimbursement under the TRICARE/CHAMPUS DRG-Based Payment System (excludes children's hospitals). Payments will be computed based on the TRICARE Reimbursement Manual, Chapter 3, Section 2.

1.2. Demonstrations

These are trial programs designed to see if changes in benefits or financing methods improves beneficiary satisfaction and/or reduces costs to the government. These demonstrations may be geographically specific, contractor specific or may vary in many ways from TRICARE Standard benefits. The data associated with these projects *may be* incompatible with TED data formats and may require separate voucher reporting of non-financially underwritten bank account transactions. *Cancer Clinical Trials will be reported as a TEDs voucher, see Chapter 3, Section 3.*

2.0. COMPUTATION OF PAYMENTS

Each type of voucher (i.e., CAP/DME, etc.) shall be processed and reported separately. The contractor shall compute the amount due for each beneficiary based on the procedures specified in the TOM or TRM for that particular program. The contractor shall group each type of voucher by program, prepare and send an electronic data submission to TMA, CRM for approval and release of payments.

3.0. APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF PAYMENTS

Approval and release of payments shall be done in accordance with the procedures defined in Chapter 3, Section 2, paragraph 5.0.

4.0. CHECK REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Check reporting shall be done in accordance with procedures defined in Chapter 3, Section 2, paragraph 8.0.